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, CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR:

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-- GEOFFREY GODSELL THE MONITOR'S OVERSEAS NEWS EDITOR
POINTS TO SMITH'S DECISION TO RETURN TO GENEVA AS CON-
FIRMATION THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS ARE CLOSE TO IMPORTANT
DECISIONS. HE REVIEWS THE POSITIONS OF THE VARIOUS PARTIES
TO THE NEGOTIATION AND CONCLUDES THAT THERE ARE SIGNS THAT
BRITAIN MAY BE WILLING TO INSTALL A BRITISH GOVERNOR TO
PRESIDE OVER THE TRANSITION PERIOD.

-- CUBAN TROOPS, TANKS AND ROCKETS FROM THE ANGOLA WAR
WERE PUBLICLY PARADED IN HAVANA ON DECEMBER 4TH, IN THE
PARADE CELEBRATING THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF CUBA'S REVO-
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LUTIONARY ARMED FORCES.

2. NEW YORK TIMES:

-- WHILE THE BLACK NATIONALISTS GENERALLY AFFECT INDIFFERENCE TO THE NEWS THAT SMITH IS PLANNING TO RETURN TO GENEVA

TO RESUME THE LEADERSHIP OF HIS DELEGATION, SOME BLACK SOURCES SAID THAT THE PRESENCE OF SMITH COULD GIVE AN IMPETUS TO THE DISCUSSION ON THE STRUCTURE AND ROLE OF AN INTERIM GOVERNMENT.

-- AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE REPORTS FROM LOME THAT A THREE-DAY MEETING OF THE NINE WEST EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY COUNTRIES AND THEIR THIRD-WORLD PARTNERS IN THE 58-NATION LOME CONVENTION ENDED LAST NIGHT AFTER REVIEWING COOPERATION SINCE THE CONVENTION WAS SIGNED 21 MONTHS AGO.

3. WASHINGTON POST:

-- ROGER MANN REPORTS THAT MEMBERS OF THE KENYAN PARLIAMENT ARE DEMANDING THE RESIGNATION OF THE MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND WILDLIFE. THEY CHARGE THAT THE MINISTRY HAS FAILED TO PROTECT THE COUNTRY'S WILD ANIMALS.

-- NATIONALIST GUERRILLAS AMBUSHED AND KILLED A FORMER BISHOP OF BULAWAYO, A ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIEST AND A NUN ON A REMOTE ROAD IN NORTHWEST RHODESIA.

-- ZAIRE HAS DECIDED TO RETURN TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH ALL THE CHURCH-RUN SCHOOLS NATIONALIZED ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO. KISSINGER

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